Development of National Highways in Gujarat

2593. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA: Will the Minister of SHRIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have been developing National Highways on priority basis;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the amount sanctioned and released to Gujarat for National Highways?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA) : (a) and (b) The Government of India attaches high priority to the development of National Highways. Government has already taken up on priority a programme for 4/6 laning of National Highways connecting four metros viz., Delhi, Kolkata, Chennai and Mumbai under NHDP phase-I and East-West and North-South corridors under NHDP phase-II. In addition, recently Government has approved development of 10,000 km National Highways to be developed in a phased manner on BOT (Built-Operate-Transfer) basis under NHDP phase-III.

(c) During 2004-05 for the development of National Highways by the Gujarat Government, an amount of Rs. 60.00 crore has been allocated and Rs. 35.81 crore has been spent upto February 2005.

Improvement of NH-12A and 27

2594. SHRIMATI MAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of proposals received by Government for improvement in National Highways 12A and 27 alongwith the details thereof; and

(b) the details of the action taken so far/to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA) : (a) and (b) 17 number of proposals in respect of NH-12A and NH-27 amounting to Rs. 38.43 cr. have been received from the States of Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh and Uttar Pradesh during the year 2004-2005. As on date, 11 proposals amounting to Rs. 26.94 cr. have been sanctioned.